

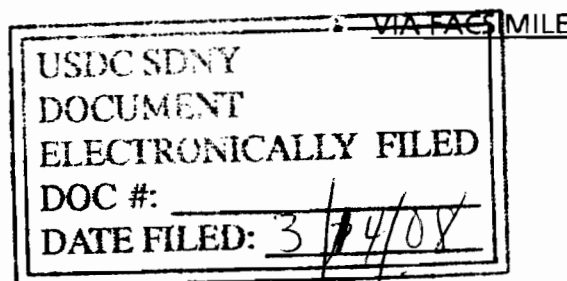


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The Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin  
United States Courthouse  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street, Room 1620  
New York, NY 10007



Re: *Goldstein v. Centerline Holding Company, et al.*, No. 1:08-cv-00505 (SAS), and  
all related cases

Dear Judge Scheindlin:

My firm has recently been retained to represent certain institutional investors who wish to make a motion for appointment as lead plaintiff in the above-referenced actions. Pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, this motion must be made by any class member who wishes to seek appointment as a lead plaintiff, whether or not they have previously filed a complaint in these actions, no later than 60 days following the publication of the first notice that was issued advising investors of the pendency of these actions. 15 U.S.C. §§ 78u-4(a)(3)(A) and (B). This notice was issued on January 18, 2008; accordingly, our client must file its motion no later than Tuesday, March 18, 2008.

Your Honor's Individual Rules and Procedures, however, require that "[a] party must write to Chambers, with a copy to opposing counsel, to request a pre-motion conference before bringing any motion." Because of the strict deadline imposed by the PSLRA, we respectfully request leave from complying with this practice so that we may file our motion on March 18, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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